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TAGS: PARM,NATO

SUBJECT: MBFR: QUESTION OF EASTERN COMMITMENT ON COMMON  
CEILING AND SECOND PHASE

REF: USNATO 3646, USNATO 3687

WE NOTE FROM REFTELS AND OTHER MISSION REPORTING ON ALLIED  
REACTIONS TO US MBFR PROPOSAL OF JULY 27 THAT THERE IS CON-  
SIDERABLE ALLIED INTEREST IN THE QUESTION OF WHETHER AND  
TO WHAT EXTENT ALLIES SHOULD SEEK SPECIFIC EASTERN COMMIT-

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MENT TO COMMON CEILING AND SECOND PHASE NEGOTIATIONS AS

PART OF POSSIBLE FIRST PHASE MBFR AGREEMENT. WE REALIZE THIS IS AN IMPORTANT QUESTION FOR THE ALLIES AND THAT LACK OF CLARITY ON IT COULD RESULT IN ITS BECOMING MAIN FOCUS OF ATTENTION WITHIN ALLIANCE AS REGARDS ALLIED NEGOTIATING POSITION FOR MBFR. IT IS SUGGESTED THAT FOR TIME BEING YOU RESPOND TO FURTHER ENQUIRIES FROM ALLIES BY SAYING THAT WASHINGTON REALIZES THIS IS AN IMPORTANT ISSUE AND THAT YOU HOPE TO HAVE SPECIFIC VIEWS ON IT SHORTLY. ROGERS

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